

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission  
City of Jasper, Indiana  
September 2, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, September 2, 2008, at the Jasper Arts Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Doug Abbett, Robin Norris, Mickey Seger, Michael Jones, Sylvia Metzger, Pat Thyen, Norma Kreilein, and Don Weisheit. **Commission Members Absent:** Ann Hilgefort, Myra Schuetter, and Don Routson. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Amy Laakman, and Kelley Leuck. **Regional Services Coordinator:** Jill Watson. **City Attorney:** Sandy Hemmerlein. **Guests in attendance:** Jasper Herald reporter: Laura Gleason, City Councilman: Butch Schitter.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Sylvia Metzger** moved to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2008 meeting. **Mickey Seger** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**City Financial Statement**

**Robin Norris** moved to approve the financial statement. **Sylvia Metzger** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**City Claims and Regional Partnership Grant Claims**

City claims in the amount of \$28,329.20 were presented. Regional Partnership Grant claims in the amount of \$1250.00 were presented. After conclusion of discussion, it was moved by **Robin Norris** to accept the claims as presented. **Sylvia Metzger** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

There was no public business.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Director's Report/Performing Arts**

Kit reported.

- Kit presented quotes for the pARTicipate newsletter. She requested three quotes; from Woods, Herald Printing and Impressions. Impressions declined to submit a quote. Woods quote was for \$1026.94; Herald Printing for 982.38. After discussion, **Sylvia Metzger** made a motion to accept the quote from Herald Printing, **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 6-0 (Don Weisheit abstained).
- Steven Dunn has turned in his resignation. **Norma Kreilen** made a motion to start the hiring process. **Don Weisheit** seconded.
- Kit stated the APAP conference will be in January. There is \$3500 set aside in the budget. Due to rising prices of airline fees, \$3900 is needed to send both Kit and Donna. The money is available to be used, within the line, so no reapportions will need to be made. **Sylvia Metzger** made a motion to send both Kit and Donna. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- The first performance of the 2008/2009 season will be Pianafiddle on September 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The gubernatorial debate is scheduled to be here on September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00 pm.

**Building & Structures Report**

Doreen reported.

- There have been several meetings for the gubernatorial and congressional debates.
- The repairs to the roof have been done.
- The dance floor is finished.
- Doreen will be hosting a lighting and sound workshop on September 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Education Report**

Amy reported for Donna.

- The Education Meeting was held on August 27<sup>th</sup>.
- The Jasper High School band students will be attending a workshop with Pianafiddle on September 29<sup>th</sup>.
- The New York Ballet will be doing school performances in October. These shows will be different than the Family Show.
- Mauvais Sort will be here the week of October 13<sup>th</sup>. They will be doing shows for grades 9-12 and 6-8. Regional schools have also been invited.

### **Visual Arts Report**

Amy reported.

- The Art Guild exhibit has been very well received. Three pieces were sold. The reception was well attended. The Art Guild had 3 new members sign up. Sue Taylor is the new Art Guild president.
- The Juried Art Show has been hung. The reception will be on Sunday from 1-3.
- The flyer for the fall art classes is being completed and should be mailed out within the next few days.
- On October 30<sup>th</sup>, the first film in the film series, A sing a long for the Wizard of Oz will be held. Wayne Schuetter will be giving a lecture on the Wizard of Oz on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Region 11 Report**

Jill reported.

- The Regional Grants Ceremony will be on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.
- There will be a Regional Advisory Council meeting on September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 at the Schnitzelbank. Jill would like to have one Board Member on the council.
- John Kay, the director for Traditional Arts Indiana is interested in locating traditional artists in the area. He wants to capture the historical and cultural heritage. He wants to encourage a partnership with the counties in the Region.
- The next INTERact meeting will be on September 30<sup>th</sup>. The members will meet at the Arts Center and will then go to Elements in Ireland, owned by Kathy Hilger. She will be giving a framing workshop.

### **Old Business**

- Discussion was held on several ideas from the Strategic Plan. It was decided to table this until October. Kit will send out the updated plan to all board members.

*Note: At 5:25 Doug Abbett arrived.*

### **New Business**

- Mike asked that board members sign up to attend the city council meetings. He would like one member to attend each meeting.

*Note: At 5:40 Mickey Seger left.*

### **Adjournment**

Pat Thyen made a motion to adjourn at 5:50 pm. Sylvia Metzger seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

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Mike Jones

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Attested